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Government of Madras.

Marine DEPARTMENT.

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Fort Saint George, Marine Consultation, 29th September 1857.

No. 40. From the Secretary to the Government of Bombay; to the Secretary to the Government, Fort Saint George, dated 19th September 1857, No. 1514.

SIR,

I am directed by the Right Honorable the Governor in Council to transmit the accompanying copy of a letter from the Commander-in-Chief of the Indian Navy, and to request that you will be pleased to move the Right Honorable the Governor in Council at Fort Saint George to direct the Civil Authorities at Cochin to render assistance in obtaining the required Artificers for the Bombay Dock Yard, of the Class required by the Commander-in-Chief of the Indian Navy.

(Signed) P. M. MELVILL, Colonel,

Secretary to Government.

From Colonel P. MELVILL, Secretary to Government; to the Right Honorable Lord Elphinstone, G. C. H., Governor and President in Council, dated 7th September 1857, No. 1069.

MY LORD,

In consequence of the great difficulty at present experience in obtaining Artificers of all Classes in Bombay, but more especially Carpenters and Black Smiths capable of executing the heavy work peculiar to Ship building, I am induced to bring the subject to the notice of Government, and to suggest that the Civil Authorities at Cochin be requested to use their best endeavour to obtain and send to this Presidency a number of properly qualified Carpenters and Black Smiths for Service in this Dock Yard.

2nd. I would further suggest that the Authorities at Surat be addressed on the same subject.

3rd. In making this communication I am influenced by a desire to render the Establishment of this Dock Yard equal to the execution of the increased amount of work that must necessarily devolve upon it in the construction of the Screw Frigate, and six Screw Gun Boats, in addition to the usual amount of routine duty, such as repairs, &c., which alone are very great, owing to the defective state of many of the Vessels.

(Signed) G. G. WELLESLEY,

Commander-in-Chief Indian Navy.

(True Copy.)

(Signed) P. M. MELVILL, Colonel,

Secretary to Government,

No. 41. ORDER THEREON, No. 408; dated 28th September 1857.

Ordered to be communicated to the Marine Board, who will issue the necessary instructions to the Master Attendant at Cochin to render assistance in obtaining the required Artificers for the Bombay Dock Yard.

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For G. St. George, 2
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To the Marine Board, Disp^d 28th